

ABSTRACT

A disposable adult diaper that protects against hip injuries, and in particular those resulting from impact to the bony prominence known as the greater trochanter, comprises a center panel that extends from the wearer's anterior waist, under the wearer's crotch, to the wearer's posterior waist, and ventral and dorsal wings that extend out from said center panel to cover the wearer's abdomen and backside, respectively. The ventral and dorsal wings are supplied with cushioning means and extend from the wearer's waistline to below the wearer's crotch line. The cushioning means can take the form of closely packed air filled cells, foam, or other shock-absorbing materials. The lateral aspects of said cushioned dorsal and ventral wings overlap one another and overlay the upper and lower bony prominence of the structures of the hip. The center panel may contain a moisture absorbent means to absorb moisture from human waste. Briefs and pull-ups having the same design and construction are also described.